

Cheddleton Parish Council

**MINUTES OF THE PLANNING & AMENITIES COMMITTEE MEETING HELD IN
THE CRAFT CENTRE MEETING ROOM ON TUESDAY, 3rd. DECEMBER 2019.**

ATTENDANCE Chairman – Councillor H.R. Jennings
Vice-Chairman – Councillor H.J. Tunna.
Councillor - M.T. Bowen, Mrs. D.A. Hartley, Miss. O. Lucas, G.W. Salt,
Mrs. L.M. Salt, M.P. Worthington.

APOLOGIES Apologies for absence were received from: -
Councillor - M. Ahmad, Ms. C.Y. Ball, S. Scalise.

2688 **MINUTES** The minutes of the meeting of the 5th. November 2019, taken as read, were confirmed as a true and accurate record and signed by the Chairman.

2689 **MATTERS ARISING**

Re. Min. 2685. Telephone Book Exchange Councillor Mrs. Hartley announced that Councillor Mr. Hartley was happy to donate the materials as well as his time in fitting the shelving. This was very much appreciated. Councillor Jennings also mentioned that if anyone wished to donate books to the exchange please do.

Re. Min. 2686. Planning Applications – 0635 Councillor Worthington asked if there was any update after our objection but as yet the application hasn't been to the SMDC Planning Committee.

2690 **MEMBERS' DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Councillor Bowen declared that he is a member of Staffordshire Wildlife Trust

2691 **PUBLIC QUESTION TIME**

There were no members of the public present.

2692 **CORRESPONDENCE**

- a. Hirego Car Sharing Club – Car sharing solution designed for local communities.
- b. CPRE Campaigns Update November.
- c. My Neighbourhood Plan largest network of neighbourhood planning advisors.
- d. Earth Anchors Street Furniture.
- e. Public Sector Deposit Fund Yield and Price Summary. Average return for October was 0.7114% on the Councils investment. The Clerk reported that the Finance Committee would be discussing possible increase in investment at the meeting next week.
- f. Natwest Business Account changes. The Clerk explained that terms for making payments or cash withdrawals abroad to comply with new payment legislation. Reduced unpaid items from £20 to £12. Faster cheque clearing system plus the introduction of Confirmation of payee checking service which will be introduced in early 2020.
- g. ProHort Horticulture Managed – Tree Surveys.

2692 CORRESPONDENCE Cont'd...

- h. SMDC Local Plan Examination – Main Modifications. The Clerk reported that due to the general election it has been decided to postpone further hearing sessions until 4th/5th of February 2020. This is when the main modifications to the Local Plan will be discussed including the Local Green Spaces in Cheddleton.
- i. Planning Appeal Land adjacent to 10 Ox Pasture confirmation of comments. The Clerk had submitted comments to the appeal and circulated what had been submitted.
- j. Buxus Green grounds maintenance. Will be kept on file.
- k. SMDC revised Code of Conduct. The Clerk highlighted changes that have been made but as the Parish Council has its own Code of Conduct which is reviewed annually.
- l. Draycott Nurseries & Landscape Sales Ltd.
- m. ICO Renewal Confirmation expires 28/11/2020. New registration Certificate.
- n. International Institute of Municipal Clerks. Annual Conference in St. Louis, Missouri.
- o. Ashley Goodwin PCSO response to Anti-social behavior. The Clerk reported that she had forwarded the details from ACRA about the incident and had received a response for Ashley who would look into the matter.
- p. Staffordshire Police News. National Recruitment campaign launched for 20,000 new police officers.
- q. Staffordshire Wildlife Trust Magazine. Circulated for Members to read.
- r. Whittaker & Biggs, Leek For Sale Board. The Clerk reported that she had contacted and asked that the board be removed from the Craft Centre and she received a prompt response and it has already been removed.
- s. SLCC – Staffordshire Branch Meeting Thursday 12th. December 2019. The Clerk hopes to attend.
- t. Publicity of the new Zip Wire Platform. The Clerk explained that the Leek Post are interested in the story so will arrange for the seat to be put up and the Chairman and any other Councillors' were welcome to come along.

2693 PARISH ONLINE DIGITAL MAPPING SYSTEM

The Clerk reported that as they are now insured through BHIB as part of the Insurance Package the Parish Council can have a free licence to the system and includes the new digital asset register. The Clerk will sign up and report back with details.

2694 RE-SITING OF DOGBIN ON FOLLY LANE

Councillor Worthington had raised this item as there is a litter problem on the lane and the nearest bin is sited on the main road at the end of Folly Lane. The Clerk would enquire with SMDC to see if this could either be re-sited or an additional bin on the corner of Woodlands Avenue could be an option.

2695 HIRING OF HANDYMAN

The Clerk reported that she had received the DBS check done on Steven Billings and so therefore in agreement with the interview panel had hired him and would be showing him around the Parish tomorrow to commence works. The Clerk also reported that Ken & Rob had been a big help whilst the Parish Council had no handyman as they had emptied the bins on Cheddleton Playing Fields to keep it tidy and cleaned the steps up from the main road and rennie crescent of leaves to make them safe. They are undoubtedly very much appreciated for everything they do.

2696 UPDATE ON THE CRECHE

The Clerk reported that she had contacted Seux and offered help if required to move things along with Ofsted. She had responded stating that she was told 12 weeks as a timeline which is now almost the length of time she has been waiting. Unfortunately, due to the delay she has lost potential members of staff but is working hard to recruit and hurry Ofsted along to visit and grant her permission to run the Creche.

2697 QUOTE FOR NEW LITTER BIN CHEDDLETON PLAYING FIELD – TODDLERS PLAY AREA

The Clerk had several quotes for Litter Bins but advised that a cheap one would be a waste of money so it was agreed on looking at them to get a mid-range high security bin through broxap. Councillor Worthington also suggested that as a County Councillor the Parish Council could seek half the funding by applying to People helping people fund which the Clerk would do. Councillor Bowen proposed the Maelor Trafflex Round Bin supplied by Broxap at a cost of £164.95 ex. V.A.T. and this was seconded by Councillor Tunna. All members agreed.

2698 FENCE AROUND THE POUND CHEDDLETON

The Clerk reported that now that the benches have been replaced the fencing needs to be looked at. She showed a photo of the state of the fence and gate and all agreed that the new Handyman to replace it and no need to quote.

2699 REMOVAL OF SWINGS OPEN SPACE CAULDON AVENUE, CHEDDLETON

The Clerk showed a photograph of home-made swings which have been attached to the Cherry Tree and reported by Mrs. Hine to Councillor Bowen. She had instructed Jim Gibson to remove them and this has been completed as a matter of urgency due to health and safety.

2700 TRADE WASTE BIN COLLECTION DATES FOR ST. EDWARDS LAWN CEMETERY

The Clerk reported that Councillor Mrs. Salt had enquired and that the monthly collection for trade waste bin is the first Monday of the month, therefore the bin will have been emptied this week.

2701 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

0659 – Shepherd’s Lodge Farm, Kingsley Road, Cellarhead. Conversion and extension of existing garage to 2 bed ancillary residential unit associated with main residence.
STRONGLY OBJECT The Condition for building this garage was not for habitation and it falls within the greenbelt so should remain as a garage and not for residential use.

2701 PLANNING APPLICATIONS Cont'd...

0665 – 1D, Apartment, Willow Drive, Cheddleton Extension to form additional garage with bedroom over and conservatory/entrance to rear of property.

No Objection

0678 – Oldfield Farm, Basford Green Road, Basford. Proposed replacing of agricultural building generally with a like for like structure.

No Objection

0712 – 44, Heath Avenue, Cellarhead – Proposed first floor side extension over existing garage and utility.

No Objection

0471 - Unit 16 Churnetside Business Park Harrison Way, Cheddleton – Proposed change of use at Units 17-19/B-D to a mixed use (Class B1, B2 and B8) and at Unit 16/A, only, to a use falling within Class A4 (drinking establishment) of the Use Classes Order.

OBJECT Inappropriate use of a unit on an Industrial Estate.

2702 FORWARD AGENDA ITEMS

None were received.

2703 CONFIDENTIAL ITEM – FINANCIAL REQUIREMENTS

After considering the figures produced for the four accounts, namely: - Administration, Amenities, Handyman and Open Space, the committee made their recommendations. The Chairman stated that he wanted to thank The Clerk for all her hard work and continued contribution to the running of the Parish Council.

Chairman.

7th. January 2020.